

# How Much Does the Ambassador Bridge Profit from the Duty-Free Gas Station?

The Detroit International Bridge Company does not report gas sales like other gas stations do, but hypothetically, if one car per hour fills up at their 32 gas pumps and one truck per hour fills up at their 14 diesel pumps, they would make the following, just by pocketing the equivalent of the tax on gas.

Vehicle	Gallons Per Year	Tax Savings Per Gallon*	Gas Tax Profits Per Year
Cars	4.2 million	X \$0.60	\$2.5 million
Trucks	18.4 million	X \$0.65	\$11.9 million

\* Estimated by the Detroit Free Press

**ESTIMATED TOTAL PROFIT: \$14.4 million**

# How Much Does Michigan Lose from the Duty-Free Gas Station?

Because the Ambassador Bridge owners do not collect taxes on the fuel they sell, the state of Michigan could be losing an estimated \$14.5\* million in tax revenue each year that could be used for road projects and education funding.

Lost Federal Tax Per Year**	Lost State Tax Per Year***	Lost State Sales Tax Per Year	Lost Storage Tank Fees Per Year
\$5.2 million	\$3.8 million	\$5.5 million	\$197,750

**ESTIMATED TOTAL TAX REVENUE LOSS: \$14.5 million**

\* Based on a hypothetical equation that one car and one truck fill up at the 32 gas pumps and 14 diesel pumps every hour.

\*\* 92 percent of the Federal gas tax could be used for Michigan's Federal matching funds.

\*\*\* Lost funding for Michigan roads that could be used towards Federal matching funds.